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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

ATTENTION: MISSING PARTS

In re Application of:

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BOX: MISSING PARTS

Group Art Unit 3743

Examiner: Not Assigned

For: DEVICE FOR CONNECTING A PIPE THAT IS INTENDED FOR HEATING AND/OR COOLING A PRESSURIZED REACTOR AND SAID REACTOR

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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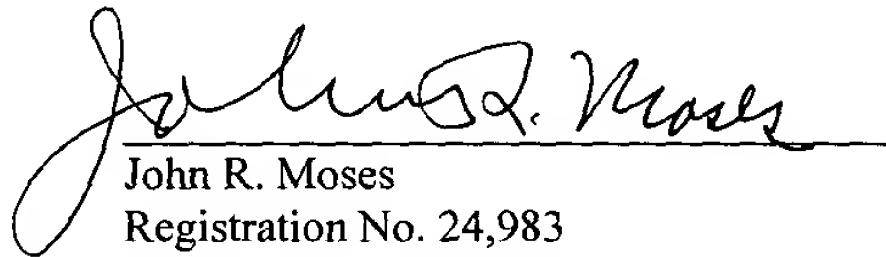
Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated February 28, 2001:

- Attached is a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts.
- Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a).
- Applicant(s) request that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a period of two months along with the fee of \$390.00.
- Attached is a Declaration and Power of Attorney in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.53 along with the late filing surcharge of \$130.00
- Attached is a copy of Fig. 1.
- Attached is a copy of the Abstract of Disclosure.

Attached is a check in the amount of \$ 520.00. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required to facilitate this filing, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account #13-3402, two copies of this paper are attached for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- ✓ The oath or declaration is missing.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- An abstract was not provided for this application. An abstract of the technical disclosure is required under 37 CFR 1.72(b).

The following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Figure(s) 1 described in the specification.

I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(i))) with evidence of such deposit must be filed within TWO MONTHS of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if it is determined that the item(s) was received by the PTO.

II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the PTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) requesting the later filing date **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.

III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the PTO. **THIS TWO MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b).** In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the PTO, and original application papers (i.e., the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the PTO on the date of deposit.

In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabelled drawing figures, is required. Any drawing changes should be accompanied by a copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*


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